## **Notices of Exempt Rulemaking**

## NOTICES OF EXEMPT RULEMAKING

The Administrative Procedure Act requires the *Register* publication of the rules adopted by the state's agencies under an exemption from all or part of the Administrative Procedure Act. Some of these rules are exempted by A.R.S. §§ 41-1005 or 41-1057; other rules are exempted by other statutes; rules of the Corporation Commission are exempt from Attorney General review pursuant to a court decision as determined by the Corporation Commission.

## NOTICE OF EXEMPT RULEMAKING

#### TITLE 7. EDUCATION

#### **CHAPTER 2. STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Editor's Note: The following Notice of Exempt Rulemaking is exempt from the Governor's Regulatory Review Plan memorandum, January 22, 2009 and its continuations on April 30 and June 30, 2009 per A.R.S. § 41-1005. (See a copy of the memoranda on pages 1268-1270.)

[R09-68]

#### **PREAMBLE**

L. Sections Affected R7-2-613 Rulemaking Action

Amend

2. The statutory authority for the rulemaking, including both the authorizing statute (general) and the statutes the rules are implementing (specific):

Authorizing statute: A.R.S. § 15-203(A)(1) Implementing statute: Not applicable

3. The effective date of the rules:

March 26, 2007

4. A list of all previous notices appearing in the Register addressing the exempt rules:

Not applicable

5. The name and address of agency personnel with whom persons may communicate regarding the rulemaking:

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6. An explanation of the rule, including the agency's reasons for initiating the rule, including the statutory citation to the exemption from the regular rulemaking procedures:

Pursuant to Board rule R7-2-613(J) all teachers are required to possess either a Provisional or Standard Structured English Immersion (SEI) Endorsement as a condition of certification. Existing teacher preparation programs include SEI training, therefore graduates automatically qualify for the SEI endorsement. Out-of-state teaching applicants may be denied certification if they were unaware of the SEI requirement. The proposed rule allows one year to satisfy the SEI requirement for out-of-state teachers.

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1005(F) the State Board of Education is exempt from standard rulemaking procedures.

7. A reference to any study relevant to the rule that the agency reviewed and either relied on in its evaluation of or justification for the rule or did not rely on in its evaluation of or justification for the rule, where the public may obtain or review each study, all data underlying each study, and any analysis of each study and other supporting material:

Not applicable

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# 8. A showing of good cause why the rule is necessary to promote a statewide interest if the rule will diminish a previous grant of authority of a political subdivision of this state:

Not applicable

## 9. The summary of the economic, small business and consumer impact:

The rules are not expected to have any economic impact on small businesses nor have any impact upon school districts and charter schools.

# 10. A description of the changes between the proposed rules, including supplemental notices and final rules (if applicable):

Not applicable

#### 11. A summary of the comments made regarding the rule and the agency response to them:

The Certification Advisory Committee (CAC) considered the proposed rule change at a public meeting on February 13, 2007. Also, in accordance with the Board's exempt rulemaking procedures, a public hearing was held on March 12, 2007.

A representative from the Yuma Union High School District expressed general concerns regarding the rule transition that occurred on August 31, 2006. At that time the requirement for a Provisional SEI endorsement for initial applicants increased from 15-clock hours to 45-clock hours of approved training. The proposed rule change only adds a new subsection to the SEI requirement. It does not modify any portions of the existing rule. Therefore, no amendments were made due to public comment.

# 12. Any other matters prescribed by statute that are applicable to the specific agency or to any specific rule or class of rules:

Not applicable

#### 13. Incorporations by reference and their location in the rules:

Not applicable

## 14. Was this rule previously made as an emergency rule? If so, please indicate the *Register* citation:

Not applicable

## 15. The full text of the rule follows:

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## **ARTICLE 6. CERTIFICATION**

Section

R7-2-613. Endorsements

## **ARTICLE 6. CERTIFICATION**

### **R7-2-613.** Endorsements

- **A.** An endorsement shall be automatically renewed with the certificate on which it is posted.
- **B.** Except as noted, all endorsements are subject to the general certification provisions in R7-2-607.
- **C.** Endorsements which are optional as specified herein may be required by local governing boards.
- **D.** Special subject endorsements -- grades K-12-
  - 1. Special subject endorsements shall be issued in the area of art, computer science, dance, dramatic arts, music, or physical education.
  - 2. Special subject endorsements are optional.
  - 3. The requirements are:
    - a. An Arizona elementary, secondary, or special education certificate;
    - b. One course in the methods of teaching the subject at the elementary level;
    - c. One course in the methods of teaching the subject at the secondary level; and
    - d. One of the following:
      - i. Thirty semester hours of courses in the subject area; or
      - ii. A passing score on the subject area portion of the Arizona Teacher Proficiency Assessment, if an assessment has been adopted by the Board.
- E. Mathematics Specialist Endorsement -- grades K-8
  - 1. The mathematics specialist endorsement is optional.
  - 2. The requirements are:

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- a. An Arizona elementary or special education certificate;
- b. Three semester hours of courses in the methods of teaching elementary school mathematics; and
- Fifteen semester hours of courses in mathematics education for teachers of elementary or middle school mathematics.
- F. Reading Specialist Endorsement -- grades K-12
  - 1. The reading specialist endorsement shall be required of an individual in the position of reading specialist, reading consultant, remedial reading teacher, special reading teacher, or in a similar position.
  - 2. The requirements are
    - a. An Arizona elementary, secondary, or special education certificate; and
    - b. Fifteen semester hours of courses to include decoding, diagnosis and remediation of reading difficulties, and practicum in reading.
- **G.** Elementary Foreign Language Endorsement -- grades K-8
  - 1. The elementary foreign language endorsement is optional.
  - 2. The requirements are:
    - a. An Arizona elementary, secondary or special education certificate.
    - b. Proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing a language other than English, verified by the appropriate language department of an accredited institution. American Indian language proficiency shall be verified by an official designated by the appropriate tribe.
    - c. Three semester hours of courses in the methods of teaching a foreign language at the elementary level.
- H. Bilingual Endorsements -- grades K-12
  - A provisional bilingual endorsement or a bilingual endorsement is required of an individual who is a bilingual classroom teacher, bilingual resource teacher, bilingual specialist, or otherwise responsible for providing bilingual instruction.
  - 2. The provisional bilingual endorsement is valid for three years and is not renewable. The requirements are:
    - a. An Arizona elementary, secondary, or special education, or vocational certificate; and
    - b. Proficiency in a language other than English or sign language.
  - 3. The holder of the bilingual endorsement is also authorized to teach English as a Second Language.
  - 4. The requirements are:
    - a. An Arizona elementary, secondary, special education, or vocational certificate;
    - b. Completion of a bilingual education program from an accredited institution or the following courses:
      - i. Three semester hours of foundations of instruction for non-English-language-background students;
      - ii. Three semester hours of bilingual methods:
      - iii. Three semester hours of English as a Second Language for bilingual settings;
      - iv. Three semester hours of courses in bilingual materials and curriculum; assessment of limited-English-proficient students; teaching reading and writing in the native language; or English as a Second Language for bilingual settings;
      - v. Three semester hours of linguistics to include psycholinguistics, sociolinguistics, first language acquisition, and second language acquisition for language minority students; or American Indian language linguistics;
      - vi. Three semester hours of courses dealing with school, community, and family culture and parental involvement in programs of instruction for non-English-language-background students; and
      - vii. Three semester hours of courses in methods of teaching and evaluating handicapped children from non-English-language backgrounds. These hours are only required for bilingual endorsements on special education certificates.
    - c. A valid bilingual certificate or endorsement from another state may be substituted for the courses described in subsection (H)(4)(b);
    - d. Practicum in a bilingual program or two years of verified bilingual teaching experience; and
    - e. Proficiency in a spoken language other than English, verified by the language department of an accredited institution except in the case of Spanish and American Indian languages. Spanish language proficiency shall be demonstrated by passing the Arizona Classroom Spanish Proficiency Examination approved by the Board. American Indian language proficiency shall be verified by an official designated by the appropriate tribe.
- I. English as a Second Language (ESL) Endorsements -- grades K-12
  - 1. An ESL or bilingual endorsement is required of an individual who is an ESL classroom teacher, ESL specialist, ESL resource teacher, or otherwise responsible for providing ESL instruction.
  - 2. The provisional ESL endorsement is valid for three years and is not renewable. The requirements are:
    - a. An Arizona elementary, secondary, or special education, or vocational certificate; and
    - b. Six semester hours of courses specified in subsection (I)(3)(b), including at least one course in methods of teaching ESL students.
  - 3. The requirements for the ESL endorsement are:
    - a. An Arizona elementary, secondary, special education, or vocational certificate;

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- b. Completion of an ESL education program from an accredited institution or the following courses:
  - i. Three semester hours of courses in foundations of instruction for non-English-language-background students. Three semester hours of courses in the nature and grammar of the English language, taken before January 1, 1999, may be substituted for this requirement;
  - ii. Three semester hours of ESL methods;
  - iii. Three semester hours of teaching of reading and writing to limited-English-proficient students;
  - iv. Three semester hours of assessment of limited-English-proficient students;
  - v. Three semester hours of linguistics; and
  - vi. Three semester hours of courses dealing with school, community, and family culture and parental involvement in programs of instruction for non-English-language-background students.
- c. Three semester hours of a practicum or two years of verified ESL or bilingual teaching experience, verified by the district superintendent;
- d. Second language learning experience, which may include sign language. Second language learning experience may be documented by any of the following:
  - i. Six semester hours of courses in a single second language, or the equivalent, verified by the department of language, education, or English at an accredited institution;
  - ii. Completion of intensive language training by the Peace Corps, the Foreign Service Institute, or the Defense Language Institute;
  - iii. Placement by the language department of an accredited institution in a third-semester level;
  - iv. Placement at level 1-intermediate/low or more advanced score on the Oral Proficiency Interview, verified by the American Council for the Teaching of Foreign Languages;
  - v. Passing score on the Arizona Classroom Spanish Proficiency Examination approved by the Board; or
  - vi. Proficiency in an American Indian language, verified by an official designated by the appropriate tribe.
- e. A valid ESL certificate or endorsement from another state may be substituted for the requirements described in subsection (I)(3)(b), (c), and (d).
- J. Structured English Immersion (SEI) Endorsements -- grades K-12
  - 1. From and after August 31, 2006, an SEI, ESL or bilingual endorsement is required of all classroom teachers, supervisors, principals and superintendents. For purposes of this rule, "supervisor," "principal" and "superintendent" means an individual who holds a supervisor, principal or superintendent certificate.
  - 2. The provisional SEI endorsement is valid for three years and is not renewable. The requirements are:
    - a. An Arizona elementary, secondary, special education, career and technical education, supervisor, principal or superintendent certificate; and
    - b. For teachers, supervisors, principals and superintendents certified on or after August 31, 2006, three semester hours of courses in Structured English Immersion methods of teaching English Language Learner (ELL) students, including but not limited to instruction in SEI strategies, teaching with the ELL Proficiency Standards adopted by the Board and monitoring ELL student academic progress using a variety of assessment tools; or
    - c. For teachers, supervisors, principals and superintendents certified before August 31, 2006, one semester hour or 15 clock hours of professional development in Structured English Immersion methods of teaching ELL students, including but not limited to instruction in SEI strategies, teaching with the ELL Proficiency Standards adopted by the Board and monitoring ELL student academic progress using a variety of assessment tools through a training program that meets the requirements of A.R.S. § 15-756.09(B).
  - 3. The requirements for the SEI endorsement are:
    - a. An Arizona elementary, secondary, special education, career and technical education, supervisor, principal, or superintendent certificate, and:
    - b. Qualification for the provisional SEI endorsement, and either:
      - i. Three semester hours of courses related to the teaching of the English Language Learner Proficiency Standards adopted by the State Board of Education, including but not limited to instruction in SEI strategies, teaching with the ELL Proficiency Standards adopted by the Board and monitoring ELL student academic progress using a variety of assessment tools; or
      - ii. Completion of 45 clock hours of professional development in the teaching of the English Language Learner Proficiency Standards adopted by the State Board of Education, including but not limited to instruction in SEI strategies, teaching with the ELL Proficiency Standards adopted by the Board and monitoring ELL student academic progress using a variety of assessment tools through a training program that meets the requirements of A.R.S. § 15-756.09(B).
  - 4. Nothing in this rule prevents school districts from requiring certified staff to obtain an ESL or bilingual endorsement as a condition of employment.
  - 5. The requirements for a Provisional SEI endorsement may be waived for a period not to exceed one year in accordance with certification reciprocity as prescribed in A.A.C. R7-2-619.
  - 6. The requirements for a Provisional SEI endorsement may be waived for a period not to exceed one year for individu-

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als who graduate from administrator or teacher preparation programs that are not approved by the State Board of Education and meet all other applicable certification requirements.

- **K.** Gifted Endorsements -- grades K-12
  - 1. A gifted endorsement is required of individuals whose primary responsibility is teaching gifted students.
  - 2. The provisional gifted endorsement is valid for three years and is not renewable. The requirements are an Arizona elementary, secondary, or special education certificate and one of the following:
    - a. Two years of verified teaching experience in which most students were gifted;
    - b. Ninety clock hours of verified in-service training in gifted education; or
    - c. Six semester hours of courses in gifted education.
  - 3. Requirements for the gifted endorsement are:
    - a. An Arizona elementary, secondary, or special education certificate;
    - b. Completion of 9 semester hours of upper division or graduate level courses in an academic discipline such as science, mathematics, language arts, foreign language, social studies, psychology, fine arts, or computer science; and
    - c. Two of the following:
      - i. Three years of verified teaching experience in gifted education as a teacher, resource teacher, specialist, or similar position, verified by the district; or
      - ii. A minimum of 135-clock hours of verified in-service training in gifted education; or
      - iii. Completion of 12 semester hours of courses in gifted education. District in-service programs in gifted education may be substituted for up to six semester hours of gifted education courses. Fifteen clock hours of inservice is equivalent to one semester hour. In-service hours shall be verified by the district superintendent or personnel director. Practicum courses shall not be accepted toward this requirement; or
      - iv. Completion of six semester hours of practicum or two years of verified teaching experience in which most students were gifted.
- L. Early Childhood Education Endorsement birth through age eight
  - 1. An early childhood endorsement is optional, but recommended for individuals teaching in public school early childhood education programs who are not otherwise certified in early childhood education. When combined with an Arizona elementary education teaching certificate or an Arizona special education teaching certificate, it may be used in lieu of a standard early childhood education certificate as described in R7-2-612(I).
  - 2. An endorsement shall be automatically renewed with the certificate on which it is posted.
  - 3. The requirements are:
    - a. A valid Arizona elementary education teaching certificate as provided in R7-2-608 or a valid Arizona special education teaching certificate as provided in R7-2-610;
    - b. Early childhood education coursework and practicum experience which includes both of the following:
      - i. 21 semester hours of early childhood education courses to include all of the following areas of study:
        - (1) Foundations of early childhood education;
        - (2) Child guidance and classroom management:
        - (3) Characteristics and quality practices for typical and atypical behaviors of young children;
        - (4) Child growth and development, including health, safety and nutrition;
        - (5) Child, family, cultural and community relationships;
        - (6) Developmentally appropriate instructional methodologies for teaching language, math, science, social studies and the arts;
        - (7) Early language and literacy development:
        - (8) Assessing, monitoring and reporting progress of young children; and
      - ii. A minimum of 8 semester hours of practicum including:
        - (1) A minimum of 4 semester hours in a supervised field experience, practicum, internship or student teaching setting serving children birth preschool. One year of full-time verified teaching experience with children in birth preschool may substitute for this student teaching experience. This verification may come from a school- based education program or center-based program licensed by the Department of Health Services or regulated by tribal or military authorities; and
        - (2) A minimum of 4 semester hours in a supervised student teaching setting serving children in kindergarten grade 3. One year of full-time verified teaching experience with children in kindergarten grade 3 in an accredited school may substitute for this student teaching experience;
    - c. A valid Fingerprint Clearance Card issued by the Arizona Department of Public Safety; and
    - d. A passing score on the early childhood subject knowledge portion of the Arizona Educator Proficiency Assessment once that portion of the AEPA is adopted by the Board.
  - 4. Teachers with a valid Arizona elementary education certificate or Arizona special education certificate as of July 1, 2006 meet the requirements of this Section with evidence of the following:
    - a. A minimum of three years infant/toddler, preschool or kindergarten grade 3 classroom teaching experience

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within 10 years prior to July 1, 2009, and

- b. A passing score on the early childhood subject knowledge portion of the Arizona Educator Proficiency Assessment once that portion of the AEPA is adopted by the Board.
- M. Library-Media Specialist Endorsement -- grades K-12
  - 1. The library-media specialist endorsement is optional.
  - 2. Requirements are:
    - a. An Arizona elementary, secondary, or special education certificate;
    - b. A passing score on the Library Media Specialist portion of the Arizona Teacher Proficiency Assessment. A Master's degree in Library Science may be substituted for a passing score on the assessment; and
    - c. One year of teaching experience.
- N. Middle Grade Endorsement -- grades 5 9
  - 1. The middle grade endorsement is optional. The middle grade endorsement may expand the grades a teacher is authorized to teach on an elementary or secondary certificate.
  - 2. The requirements are:
    - a. An Arizona elementary or secondary certificate; and
    - b. Six semester hours of courses in middle grade education to include:
      - i. One course in early adolescent psychology;
      - ii. One course in middle grade curriculum; and
      - iii. A practicum or one year of verified teaching experience, in grades 5-9.
- **O.** Drivers Education Endorsement
  - 1. The drivers education endorsement is optional.
  - 2. The requirements are:
    - a. An Arizona teaching certificate;
    - b. A valid Arizona driver's license;
    - c. One course in each of the following: safety education, driver and highway safety education, and driver education laboratory experience; and
    - d. A driving record with less than seven violation points and no revocation or suspension of driver's license within the two years preceding application.
- **P.** Cooperative Education Endorsement -- grades K-12
  - 1. The cooperative education endorsement is required for individuals who coordinate or teach vocational cooperative education.
  - 2. The requirements are:
    - a. A provisional or standard vocational certificate in the areas of agriculture, business, family and consumer sciences, health occupations, marketing, or industrial technology; and 13
    - b. One course in vocational cooperative education.

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[R09-67]

## **PREAMBLE**

## 1. Sections Affected

## **Rulemaking Action**

R7-2-617

Amend

2. The statutory authority for the rulemaking, including both the authorizing statute (general) and the statutes the rules are implementing (specific):

Authorizing statute: A.R.S. § 15-203(A)(1) Implementing statute: Not applicable

#### 3. The effective date of the rules:

May 22, 2006

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4. A list of all previous notices appearing in the Register addressing the exempt rules:

Not applicable

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6. An explanation of the rule, including the agency's reasons for initiating the rule, including the statutory citation to the exemption from the regular rulemaking procedures:

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1005(F) the State Board of Education is exempt from standard rulemaking procedures.

7. A reference to any study relevant to the rule that the agency reviewed and either relied on in its evaluation of or justification for the rule or did not rely on in its evaluation of or justification for the rule, where the public may obtain or review each study, all data underlying each study, and any analysis of each study and other supporting material:

Not applicable

8. A showing of good cause why the rule is necessary to promote a statewide interest if the rule will diminish a previous grant of authority of a political subdivision of this state:

Not applicable

9. The summary of the economic, small business and consumer impact:

The rules are not expected to have any economic impact on small businesses nor have any impact upon school districts and charter schools.

10. A description of the changes between the proposed rules, including supplemental notices and final rules (if applicable):

Not applicable

11. A summary of the comments made regarding the rule and the agency response to them:

A public hearing was held regarding these proposed rules on May 8, 2006. No comments were received. However, written comments from the field indicated concerns over the deletion of the portion of the Board rule that currently states: "A certificate may be renewed within one year after it expires if the individual is not employed under the certificate. Individuals whose certificates have been expired for more than one year shall reapply for certification under the requirements in effect at the time of reapplication." The original proposal eliminated this language due to concerns that it has been interpreted incorrectly. In many instances teachers have interpreted this rule to mean that they may teach for up to one year on an expired certificate. This is incorrect and contrary to law. Comments indicated that the elimination of this grace period could have unintentional consequences and make it extremely difficult for long-time teachers to become properly certified, even if they are only one day late in renewing their certificates. A compromise was reached that permits a one year grace period for renewing teachers while making it clear that no individual may teach on an expired certificate.

12. Any other matters prescribed by statute that are applicable to the specific agency or to any specific rule or class of rules:

Not applicable

13. Incorporations by reference and their location in the rules:

Not applicable

14. Was this rule previously made as an emergency rule? If so, please indicate the Register citation:

Not applicable

15. The full text of the rule follows:

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#### ARTICLE 6. CERTIFICATION

Section

R7-2-617. Renewal Requirements

### **ARTICLE 6. CERTIFICATION**

## **R7-2-617.** Renewal Requirements

- A. A certificate may be renewed within six months before it expires of its expiration date except that an individual holding multiple valid certificates may renew all certificates at one time in order to align the expiration dates of each certificate. Certificates being aligned shall be renewed at the same time as the certificate that will expire first. Individuals seeking to align certificates shall meet the renewal requirements for each certificate being aligned. Certificates aligned pursuant to this Section may be valid for less than six years. A certificate may be renewed within one year after it expires if the individual is not employed under the certificate. Individuals whose certificates have been expired for more than one year shall reapply for certification under the requirements in effect at that time for reapplication.
- **B.** A certificate may be renewed within one year after it expires. Individuals whose certificates have been expired for more than one year shall reapply for certification under the requirements in effect at the time of reapplication. Nothing in this Section shall imply that an individual may be employed in a position that requires certification after the expiration of the relevant certificate.
- **B.C.** Renewal of certificates requires the completion of a professional development program after the most recent issuance or renewal of the certificate. A professional development program shall consist of any of the following activities:
  - Courses related to education or a subject area taught in Arizona schools, taken from an accredited institution. Each semester hour of courses shall be equivalent to 15-clock hours of professional development. The required documentation shall be an official transcript.
  - 2. Professional activities such as conferences and workshops. A maximum of 30-clock hours per year may be earned by attendance at professional conferences and workshops. The required documentation shall be a conference agenda and a statement or certificate from the sponsoring organization noting the clock hours earned.
  - 3. District-sponsored or school-sponsored in-services or activities which are specifically designed for professional development. The required documentation shall be written verification from the sponsoring district or school stating the dates of participation and the number of clock hours earned.
  - 4. Internships in business settings. The internship shall be based on an agreement between a business and a district or school with the stated objective of aligning teaching curriculum with workplace skills. A maximum of 80-clock hours may be earned through business internships. The required documentation shall be written verification by the sponsoring business and district or school stating the dates of participation and number of clock hours earned.
  - 5. Educational research. The research shall be sponsored by a research facility or an accredited institution or funded by a grant. The required documentation shall be the published report of the research or verification by the sponsoring agency; and a statement of the dates of participation and the number of clock hours earned.
  - 6. Serving in a leadership role of a professional organization. A maximum of 30-clock hours per year may be earned by serving in a leadership role of a professional organization. The required documentation shall be written verification by the governing body of the professional organization of the dates of service and clock hours earned.
  - 7. Serving on a visitation team for a school accreditation agency. A maximum of 60-clock hours per year may be earned by serving on a visitation team. The required documentation shall be written verification from the accreditation agency of the dates of service and clock hours earned.
  - 8. Completion of the process for certification by the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards. The required documentation shall be written verification from the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards and a statement from the employing district or school verifying the dates and the clock hours earned during the certification process
- C.D. An individual holding a Basic or Standard teaching certificate, an administrative certificate, or other professional certificate issued before July 1, 1995, may renew the certificate once before July 1, 2001, based on verification from the employer of continuous full-time employment with an education agency during the entire last valid period of the certificate being renewed. If an individual holding a valid Basic or Standard teaching certificate, administrative certificate, or other professional certificate was not employed during the entire last valid period of the certificate being renewed, the certificate may be renewed once before July 1, 2001, upon completion of 90- clock hours of a professional development program.
- **D.E.** An individual holding a Basic or Standard teaching certificate, an administrative certificate, or other professional certificate issued or renewed before July 1, 1997, may renew the certificate once before July 1, 2003, upon completion of 90-clock hours of a professional development program.
- **E.F.** An individual holding a Basic or Standard teaching certificate, an administrative certificate, or other professional certificate issued or renewed after June 30, 1997, and an individual holding a Temporary certificate, may renew or convert the certificate upon completion of 180-clock hours of a professional development program.
- **F.G.** An individual who is employed by a school or school district at the time of renewal shall submit the required documenta-

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tion of a professional development program to the district superintendent, director of personnel, or other designated administrator for verification. A certified individual who is not employed by a school or school district at the time of renewal shall submit the required documentation of a professional development program to a county school superintendent, the dean of a college of education, or the Department for verification. The school or district official, county school superintendent, or the dean of a college of education shall verify on forms provided by the Department the number of hours of a professional development program completed by the individual during the valid period of the certificate being renewed.

G.H. The Department shall issue a Standard teaching certificate when renewing a Basic or Temporary teaching certificate of the same type.